

WØMTL—**Hannibal Amateur Radio Club News**—WØKEM

MARCH 2019



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NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:

MARCH 13, 2019

H.A.R.C. NEW, PERMANENT MEETING LOCATION

Marion County Ambulance District Base 1: 3120 Highway 61 North, Hannibal, MO

From Hannibal, Points South, East and West: Route 61 North to the traffic light at intersection of 61 and 168. Through the light (North). First turn off to the Right is the entrance to Luthor Manor adult facility. Turn there, then take immediate Right turn. As you approach the Ambulance Base, take the first driveway, follow it down to lower parking lot. Go through door and training room/meeting room is to your right.

From Palmyra, and points North. Take 61 South towards Hannibal. Just before you get to the 61/168 intersection, there will be a turn lane to the left for the entrance to Luthor Manor. Take the Left turn, then make the immediate right turn and follow the directions above.

Park in the Lower Lot ONLY !!!!

MONDAY NIGHT WEEKLY NET CALL LIST – MARCH 2019

**4 KB9VIS BRIAN
11 KDØYTH STEVE
18 KEØKCT LIZ
25 KDØHHN DON**

SCHEDULED FCC VE TEST DATES FOR YEAR OF 2019

DATES FOR 2019 :

**APRIL 10, 2019
JULY 10, 2019
OCTOBER 9, 2019**

Registration is requested at least 72 hours before the exam session by contacting the team liaison, Larry Lauer at Larry@alauer.com or 573-406-0383. If enough VE's are present at the meeting night, any walk ins will be able to test that evening

The 2018 test fee will be unchanged at \$15.00. It goes to ARRL/VEC. Bring a photo ID (or two non-photo ID's); if currently licensed, bring the original and a photocopy of your valid FCC license; and if you are claiming credit for successful completion of an exam, bring the original and photocopy of any applicable CSCE's.

Exams will take place at 8:00 PM after the regular scheduled HARC meeting.

WALK INS ARE WELCOME.

HARC CLUB DUES:

HARC annual dues are due each January. The dues are very important and are needed to keep repeaters up and running, plus other expenses of the club. The yearly dues fee is \$20.00 per member, & \$5.00 for each additional family member. You can pay at club meetings, or send the money to HARC, P.O. Box 1522 Hannibal Mo, 63401. Thanks!!

**HARC MINUTES FOR MEETING**

Respectfully submitted by Joe Chase KDØHDL

**Hannibal Amateur Radio Club
Monthly Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2019**

Don (KD0HHN) opened the regular meeting at 7:00pm with 18 people present. Don asked if everyone had read the minutes and if there were any proposed changes. A motion to accept was made by Rocky (KE0KCR) and seconded by Dave (K9FHS). The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Larry (WB2UFO) read the Treasurer's Report. Last month's Ending Balance was \$2,309.98, this month's Ending Balance is \$2,175.22, and the CD Balance is \$1,329.94, making the Club's Total Assets \$3,545.16. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made

by Cliff (K0CA) and seconded by Kenny (KE0KCQ). The motion carried.

Repeaters:

Vern (W5UYF) reported that the repeaters are all well and the recent cold has not affected the 146.625 machine as bad as originally predicted. Also Vern has suggested grounding kits be put on the 146.880 machine to avoid another lightning strike.

Unfinished Business:

Please remember that dues are upon us. If you have not paid, you can send your payment to:

HARC Dues: \$20 (\$5 additional per family member)
P.O. Box 1522 *New hams get their first year membership free*
Hannibal, MO 63401

You may also pay at the club meeting, please see Larry (WB2UFO).

Due to weather conditions the STEM event at the Monroe City Junior High School was canceled. No date has currently been selected as a make up. Also due to weather, the Severe Weather conference was canceled and has not been given an alternative date. Still on schedule however is the Storm Spotter class on February 25 at the Holiday Inn on Shinn Lane next to Hannibal Regional Hospital. That class is at 6:30pm and is recommended you call John Hark at Hannibal Emergency Management to RSVP as space is limited.

New Business:

The lighthouse activation event is scheduled for April 18-24, 2019, that date has not been set as of our February meeting and is subject to change. Also in discussion was the possibility the lighthouse could be demolished. Potential alternative operating spots were discussed, the most prominent one being Lovers Leap.

Other events in the works coming this summer is Hannibal's 200th birthday (the Bi-Centennial). Idea's to set up a station are welcome.

A suggestion to simplify QSO certificates was made by Cliff (K0CA). The idea is to electronically create a certificate that can either be emailed to the recipient or downloaded by the recipient, therefore saving time and expense creating, mailing, and tracking.

The annual club dinner is tentatively scheduled for March 23, 2019. Don (KD0HHN) is still awaiting a response from Golden Corral about possible seating room. Also scheduled to take place at the dinner, are Member of the Year nominations.

50/50:

The 50/50 was won by Dave Milam (KB0RZN). Dave donated it back to the Club. Thanks Dave!

Our raffle winners were:

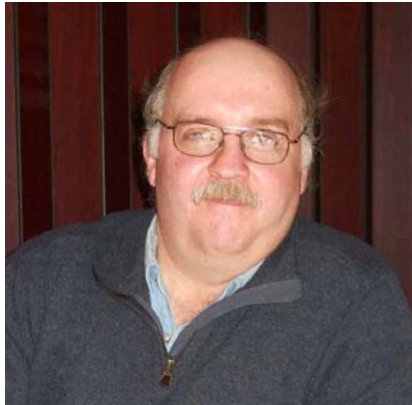
Tony was the lucky winner of the Hands on Radio book, congratulations Tony!!!

Dave Milam (KB0RZN) was the lucky winner of the Wire Antenna Classics, congratulations Dave!!!

A motion to adjourn was made by Dave (K9FHX) and seconded by Vern (W5UYF). The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK
BY DON VARY KDØHHN



Hello all. Well here we are again, another month going by. Just a reminder that the NWS Storm Spotter class will be held on the 25th at the Holiday Inn Express on Shinn Lane out by the hospital. The class will run from 6:30 to 8:30. There is no cost for the course, and you are registered with NWS St.Louis as a spotter. If you cannot make this class, there is one on March 4th at John Wood Community College in Quincy. That class will run from 6-8 PM.

Another reminder, if you haven't paid your dues yet, you have until the March meeting to do so, otherwise, you may be dropped from the membership rolls. The dues help go towards such things as maintenance of the repeaters, so please get them to Larry, WB2UFO, as soon as possible. Even though it is a few months away, Field Day will be upon us before we know it. This year we will be operating from the Quincy club's headquarters at the Red Cross building.

With spring approaching, we will be planning a tower construction party and a tower grounding party. The construction will be the erection of the tower at Base one and putting up the antennas, as well as the poles that are still at the training center. Also we will be setting a date to ground the 880 machine and tower. We have the kits to do it, we just need nice weather and some people to help do it. Well, guess that's all for now, everyone stay on the warm side of the door. Take a minute and read Dave Scranton's story about his call sign. It is interesting to say the least.

73
Don

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YOUR CALLSIGN:

Here is some history of my call sign. If you want to add to the newsletter.

2d Lt David L Scranton, CAP

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Dave Sublette <k4to.dave@gmail.com>

Date: February 12, 2019 at 19:29:09 CST

To: David L Scranton <w9we.lee@gmail.com>

Cc: Dave Sublette <k4to@arrl.net>

Subject: Re: Your Callsign

Reply-To: k4to@arrl.net

Great!

73,

Dave

On Tue, Feb 12, 2019 at 8:09 PM David L Scranton <w9we.lee@gmail.com> wrote:

I am going to try and get that story published in at least two clubs newsletters. Thanks again for your great memories & sharing them with me. 73 for now.

2d Lt David L Scranton, CAP

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OK-- here goes. The call was held by a fellow named Noble Watson. I first learned about him when an article appeared in CQ magazine about him. The year was 1957, I believe. He owned a motel in Kokomo, Indiana called the CQ motel. Behind the motel stood a windmill type tower with a home made, four element, wide spaced 20 meter yagi, a very large antenna for 1957. But the antenna was unlike anything commonly seen or used on the ham bands. The boom was a catwalk, with a truss on both sides. The elements were mounted on the catwalk. Noble would climb the tower, then walk out on the boom and adjust the elements for best performance.

Four years later, I was in my 2nd year of EE school and I had a girlfriend who lived in Indianapolis, IN. I lived in Columbus, 45 miles South. Noble, by that time, had moved to Whiteland, In. His house , with the large antenna, stood along US 31 which was the main road between Columbus and Indianapolis. I would see it as I drove to see my girl every weekend that Summer.

One day I stopped and knocked on the door. He answered and I introduced myself. He invited me into the shack. It was like being in the communications center for the world. He had all home brew equipment, neatly built into six foot rack panel cabinets. The receiver was tuned to 20 meter CW. I was awestruck. The signals from the speaker were loud and many in number. As I automatically started copying them in my head as we stood there, I suddenly realized that they are all Europeans. I had never heard anything like that on any of my antennas or receiver. Obviously, it made an impression on me as I am still able to relate the story 58 years later.

BTW, I am married to that girlfriend and have been for more than 55 years now. She is still my girlfriend!

I hope you enjoyed the story. I enjoyed telling it.

73,

Dave, K4TO

On Tue, Feb 12, 2019 at 7:27 PM David L Scranton <w9we.lee@gmail.com> wrote:

Sure that's a great idea. I think for awhile a club used it , maybe a church organization. Okay I'll let you tell me the story. I do mostly CW small g5rv or an end fed. Using 100 watts or less.

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On Feb 12, 2019, at 17:50, Dave Sublette <k4to.dave@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello Lee,

I looked your callsign up on QRZ. I did so because I knew the original holder of W9WE. I wonder if you know anything about your predecessor? If you are interested, I could tell you a couple of things about him.

73,

Dave, K4TO

**DX FROM THE TREASURER'S DESK
BY LARRY LAUER WB2UFO**





Larry Lauer, WB2UFO

Some interesting DX to be found this month.
Good luck.

73

Larry WB2UFO

MAURITANIA, 5T. Johannes, PA5X is QRV as 5T5PA from Nouadhibou and is here for six months. Activity is in his spare time on 160 to 6 meters using SSB, RTTY and FT8. QSL via LoTW.

SENEGAL, 6W. Willy, ON4AVT is QRV as 6W7/ON4AVT from Warang until March 30. Activity is on the HF bands, including 60 meters, using CW, PSK, and possibly FT8. QSL to home call.

PHILIPPINES, DU. Christian, F4EBK is QRV as DU3/F4EBK from Luzon Island, IOTA OC-042, until March 31. Activity is on 20, 15 and 10 meters using SSB. QSL to home call.

NEW CALEDONIA, GK. Arnaud, JG1XMV will be QRV as FK/JG1XMV from Grand Terre Island, IOTA OC-032, from February 23 to March 10. This also includes a visit to Mare Island, IOTA OC-033, and a few other islands as well. Activity will be on 40, 20, 17 and 15 meters using only SSB. QSL to home call.

GALAPAGOS ISLANDS, HC8. A group of operators will be QRV as HD8M from Santa Cruz Island, IOTA SA-004, from February 27 to March 6. Activity will be on 160 to 10 meters, including 60 meters, using CW, SSB, and FT8 in DXpedition mode. This includes being active in the upcoming ARRL International DX SSB contest. QSL via WB2REM.

PANAMA, HP. Special event station H31A is QRV until August 15 in celebration of the 500th anniversary of the founding of Panama City. Activity is on 80 to 10 meters using mostly RTTY, PSK31 and FT8 with some SSB. QSL via HP1AVS.

EAST KIRIBATI, T32. Ken, KH6QJ will be QRV as T32AZ from Kirimati Island, IOTA OC-024, from February 28 to March 5. Activity will be on the HF bands. This includes being an entry in the upcoming ARRL International DX SSB contest. QSL to home call.

TURKEY, TA. Members of the Giresun Radio Amateur and Sports Club are QRV with special event call TC10GITRAD until the end of 2019 to celebrate the club's 10th anniversary. QSL via bureau.



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